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Amendment Accompanying CPA

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In conjunction with the accompanying Request for CPA, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

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1. (Three Times Amended) A method of reducing kidney retention of a protein conjugate in a patient, comprising administering to said patient one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of D-lysine, poly-D-lysine having a molecular weight in the range 1-60 kD, poly-L-lysine having a molecular weight in the range 1-60 kD, pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof and carboxyl derivatives thereof, wherein said protein conjugate has a molecular weight that is not greater than about 60 kD and is not an antibody or antibody fragment conjugate,

wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable salts and carboxyl derivatives of poly-D-lysine or poly-L-lysine have a molecular weight in the range 1-60 kD,

whereby said compound or compounds reduce kidney retention of said conjugates.

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